

County Durham



Poverty Truth Commission



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ACTION

Better Together

Tuesday 3 December 2024

What if people who struggle against poverty are involved in making decisions about tackling poverty?



Phases:

- 1 Identification and recruitment of Community Commissioners – those who have experience of poverty, are willing to share stories and want change.
- 2 Community Commissioners meet as a group to identify issues and plan launch event. Civic and Business Commissioners identified and recruited.
- 3 Launch event to mark the transition from preparation to full commission.
- 4 Full commission meets regularly to build relationships and start working on issues.
- 5 Sharing event to communicate findings of commission with wider public.
- 6 Developing and embedding

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Contacted approx. 90 organisations and individuals from VCS and statutory sector

Recruited a group of Community Commissioners from Bishop Auckland, Ferryhill, Shildon, Newton Aycliffe

Held first meeting on 19 September. Will continue to meet fortnightly over the next few months

Quarterly board meetings, reporting to County Durham Together, supported by a Sounding Board, Research, Evaluation

Involved in the Poverty Truth Network

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